

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: OPTICAL DISTRIBUTION

NETWORK SYSTEM THAT

PERFORMS SYSTEM

SWITCHING ONLY WHEN

TOTAL OPERATION

CONDITION IS IMPROVED

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.